

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 118

BY REPRESENTATIVES JIM MORRIS AND CARMODY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2583.3(A) and (B), relative to constables; to provide with  
3 respect to the constable of a justice of the peace court in Caddo Parish; to provide for  
4 the appointment of one deputy constable; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:2583.3(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
7 follows:

8 §2583.3. Deputies; oath; compensation; Caddo Parish

9 A. Each duly elected constable of a justice of the peace court in Caddo  
10 Parish may appoint one ~~or more deputy constables~~ constable, if necessary, for whose  
11 acts the constable shall be responsible. Before entering upon his duties, each deputy  
12 shall take the oath required by the constitution and the laws of this state and meet the  
13 requirements of ~~R.S. 40:2402 through 2406~~ R.S. 40:2405. A duplicate copy of the  
14 oath of office shall be filed with the office of the attorney general within seventy-two  
15 hours after being administered. Any deputy constable appointed pursuant to this  
16 Section shall not be entitled to any compensation from any local governing body or  
17 political subdivision, other than the constable's office, and shall not be entitled to any  
18 compensation from the state. Each constable may fix the compensation of his deputy  
19 ~~or deputies~~. He may pay from the fees generated by his office any compensation due  
20 to a the deputy, the premiums on bonds required by him of a deputy in charge of  
21 public funds, insurance premiums, and any expenses necessary for the performance  
22 of duties required of a the deputy. He may issue monthly or twice per month, at his  
23 discretion, warrants or checks for the amounts due to a the deputy.

1                   B. Each deputy constable authorized by this Section shall have the same  
 2                   qualifications and training as required by law for a constable of a justice of the peace  
 3                   court. ~~A~~ The deputy constable need not be a resident of the ward from which the  
 4                   constable is elected, but he must be a resident of Caddo Parish.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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